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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION (Includes PCT)

Attorney Docket No.

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;  
that

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below)  
or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are listed below) of the  
subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

- Transmission device

the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_  
and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_. (if applicable)

☒ was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/IB03/02169 on  
June 09, 2003, and was amended under PCT Article 19 on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified  
specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this  
application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to  
this application, that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of  
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application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed  
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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 and/or  
§365(a)(b) of any foreign application(s) and United States provisional applications for  
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application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the  
application(s) on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign and U.S. Provisional Application(s)

Priority Claimed

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| (Number)                    | (Country)                   | Day/Month/Year Filed        | Yes                                 | No                       |
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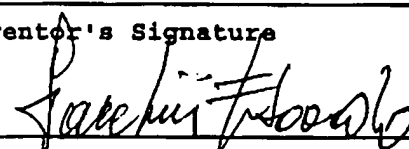
I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 and/or §365(c) of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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**VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY  
STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under Section 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled:

Transmission device

described in:

☒ the specification filed herewith

☐ application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_

☐ patent no. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_

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(37 CFR 1.27)

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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02.12.2004  
Date